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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No. : 09/891,010  
Applicants : John J. Giobbi  
Larry J. Pacey  
Filed : June 25, 2001  
Title : System And Method For Saving Status  
Of Paused Game Of Chance

TC/A.U. : 3713  
Examiner : Yveste G. Cherubin

Docket No. : 47079-00046USP2  
Customer No. : 30223

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**REPLY AFTER FINAL**

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action dated December 16, 2003. The shortened statutory period for response is three months from the mailing date, i.e., by March 16, 2004. A Petition for a one (1) month extension of time is submitted herewith, extending the time period for response to April 16, 2004. Please enter the following remarks into the record for this application.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.